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Floyds Fork public meeting set for Feb. 19 ***Floyd's Fork Technical Advisory Committee to meet Feb. 20***

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Jan. 30, 2013) – The Kentucky Division of Water (DOW) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4 will conduct a public meeting Tuesday, Feb. 19, from 7 to 9 p.m. EST in the auditorium of Eastern High School, 12400 Old Shelbyville Road, Louisville.

The DOW and EPA Region 4 will present information about the ongoing Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) development process. DOW also will provide an update on the Floyds Fork bacteria TMDL.

The Floyds Fork Technical Advisory Committee will meet Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. EST at the offices of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) located at 9818 Bluegrass Parkway in Louisville.

"Total Maximum Daily Load" is a term used to describe the amount of pollution a stream can receive and still meet water quality standards. Water quality standards are regulations based on federal or state law that set numeric or narrative limits on pollutants. TMDLs are required for water bodies that are determined to be impaired. Floyds Fork currently fails to meet state standards for recreation and aquatic life.

The Floyds Fork watershed is located in north-central Kentucky and drains portions of Henry, Oldham, Shelby, Jefferson, Spencer and Bullitt counties. The entire watershed is 284 square miles, which is more than 180,000 acres.

For more information about this public meeting, contact the DOW via email at FloydsFork@ky.gov or the U.S. EPA Region 4, via email at floydsfork@epa.gov. All inquiries regarding EPA's approach to developing the Floyds Fork TMDL model should be directed to Tim Wool, EPA Region 4, at wool.tim@epa.gov or 404-562-9260.

Additional information regarding the Floyds Fork TMDL development process and past meetings can be found at <http://water.ky.gov/watershed/Pages/FloydsFork.aspx>.

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